

WARE SHOALS MILL CONTEST

Another Hitch Between Majority and Minority.

ISSUE OF MORE STOCK

Northern Interests Wish to Increase Capital Half a Million. Stockholders' Meeting April 22.

On the 22d of this month there is to be a meeting of the stockholders of the Ware Shoals Manufacturing company at Ware Shoals, which bids fair to be of an interesting nature. A lively time of a decision reached by the board of directors at its meeting in Washington city on March 14, at which Messrs. N. B. Dial and J. O. C. Fleming, of the local interests, representing the minority stockholders, were present. Mr. Jos. T. Johnson, the other director, was absent.

The purpose of this stockholders' meeting is to increase the capital stock of the company from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000, the additional \$500,000 to be issued as preferred stock. Such a resolution was introduced and adopted in the Washington meeting, and the approaching meeting is to authorize the issuance of this new stock. Messrs. Dial and Fleming vigorously opposed the measure on the basis of the local stockholders, representing about \$300,000 of the \$1,000,000 stock. But the resolution was passed over their protest. It is stated that Mr. Dial made a most gallant fight in behalf of the local interests, but to no avail. Yet he is not discouraged, and hopes to win out in the end. The grounds of opposition were as follows:

First. Because the increase of the capital stock will be in violation of the agreement adopted when the Messrs. Riegel were adopted into the company. The enterprise is now capitalized at \$200,000, and that is sufficiently high. And, in addition to this agreement, it was specifically agreed that no preferred stock should be issued.

Second. Because this measure was inconsistent with and directly in violation of the agreement entered into between the Messrs. Riegel and the minority stockholders. When these capitalists of the North became stockholders they agreed to furnish this capital and at the same time not to interfere with existing conditions and methods. Mr. Dial was to remain president at the same salary and carry out the original policy of the company. This he has not been permitted to do, his salary having been cut to a nominal sum, his authority curtailed by degrees and finally usurped.

Third. Because the issuance of this additional preferred stock is altogether unnecessary. The increase cannot in any way benefit the local stockholders; rather it will damage their interests. Fourth. Because it is plainly a scheme to "squeeze" the minority investors and depress the value of the common stock. Already the stock value has fallen, and after this proposed increase the shares owned locally will, it is stated, be practically valueless.

For these reasons Messrs. Dial and Fleming opposed the measure, and will again oppose it in the stockholders' meeting. As the public already knows, there has been much friction between the majority and minority investors for months past, and at present there is a suit pending in the Greenwood courts—a suit instituted against the Messrs. Riegel by the minority for the recovery of \$100,000 damages, and demanding the performance of the contract and agreement entered upon. This litigation is termed a suit "for specific performance," and its trial will be watched with much interest, as showing that the majority have not performed their part of the contract. Among other things they are charged with squandering the company's money, one deal serving as an example. This was the building of a \$15,000 stone mansion for the residence of Mr. B. D. Riegel, secretary and treasurer. This expenditure was made over Mr. Dial's protest, he having authorized \$2,500 for this purpose. This fine building was occupied by Mr. Riegel for a time, but it is now vacant, Mr. Riegel having returned to New York.

Another matter of which Mr. Dial complains is that the auditor's report of the mill's condition cannot be had. He asked that copies be sent to the stockholders; this was denied. But he was told that a copy might be seen at the Ware Shoals office. Upon inquiry he was told that the reports were not there but in New York. So no auditor's report has been seen yet. Of course this report was not an especial valuable document in the hands of Mr. Dial, but this fact is cited merely to show the alleged disposition of the majority toward the minority.

The state of affairs is deplored, for at one time it seemed that this Ware Shoals property would be developed into one of the best paying enterprises in the Piedmont. The outcome of the stockholders' meeting and the result of the litigation will be watched with much interest.

Junior Order of Mechanics Organize.

On last Friday night, in the Knights of Pythias hall there was organized a new order of Junior Order United American Mechanics. There were 85 charter members, and the organization begins with enthusiastic support. The name of the new council is Little River No. 66. The State Council organizer was unable to be present, but Mr. H. Terry acted in his stead and installed the officers. The following officers were elected: F. M. Tipton, councilor; J. D. Barrett, vice councilor; R. H. Donaldson, recording secretary; R. J. Jessie, treasurer; F. M. Donnon, financial secretary. The members are very enthusiastic over their council, and hope to make it one of the very best in the State. Meetings will be held in the school building at Watts Mill.

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A large crowd attended services at Union Sunday.

Mr. Jim Cooper and two daughters, Christine and Alwilder, of Greenwood, visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday.

Prof. W. P. Culbertson and Miss Frankie Culbertson, of Mountville, spent Saturday night with relatives here.

Mrs. Neely Devenport, of the Center Point station, is spending a while with her daughter, Mrs. H. H. Penson.

Miss Laurence Culbertson is teaching a music class in the Poplar Springs section.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. J. C. Smith, of Waterloo, was in the city Monday.

Mr. W. S. Montgomery was registered at Gray's Hotel Friday.

Mr. H. B. Dominick, of Fountain Inn, was in the city Friday.

Mr. M. D. Holder of Gray Court was in the city Monday.

Dr. J. R. Culbertson of Owings was among the visitors in Laurens Monday.

Mr. J. W. Hill of Mountville, was in the city on business Monday.

Mr. W. E. Gray, of Gray Court, was in the city on business Saturday.

Mr. B. A. Wharton of Cross Hill and a candidate for Sheriff was in Laurens Monday.

Mr. W. L. Rodgers of Rock Hill is in the city on a short vacation visiting relatives.

Capt. John R. Minter is spending this week with his son, Mr. J. E. Minter, at Sedalia.

Mr. J. T. Power, one of the successful farmers of this county, was in the city last Sunday.

Mr. Jas. H. Stewart, of Fountain Inn, was among the visitors in the city last Sunday.

Mr. Moses Roman, the moving picture show man, says business is good and improving every day.

Mrs. Eloise Shell spent a few days in Clinton last week, as the guest of Mrs. John Roberson.

Attorneys R. E. Babb and A. C. Todd spent yesterday in Spartanburg on professional business.

Business manager J. Rutledge McGhee of the Greenville Daily News was in the city for a short while Sunday.

Miss Vaughn Gritton has returned from the eastern part of the State, where she has been teaching.

Mrs. L. S. McSwain, of the Gray Court-Owings Institute, was in the city on a shopping trip Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Thomson Sr. of Alma spent Sunday with the family of Mr. W. P. Thomson on Ivy Avenue.

Associate Editor G. W. Gardner, Jr., of the Greenville Journal, was in Laurens last Sunday, enroute for Spartanburg.

Miss Milton Earle, a charming young lady of Greenville, passed through the city Thursday, enroute to her home from Augusta.

Mr. S. M. Wilkes one of Laurens' hustling business men returned Friday night from a business trip over parts of South Carolina and Georgia.

Mrs. Brooks Swygert, who attended the Sunday School Convention in Union last week is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. S. M. Rice.

Messrs. S. D. Childress and J. W. C. Bell, of this county, have been drawn as jurors for the Federal court, which convenes in Greenville, April 21.

Mr. J. F. Tolbert was elected a member of the executive committee of the State Sunday School Convention, at its recent meeting in Union.

Mr. Lloyd Langston, son of Mr. J. Lee Langston, is at home this week from Clemson college, where he is pursuing a special course in the textile department.

Mr. W. R. Henderson, of Gray Court, was in the city on business Saturday. He said they had a light frost in their neighborhood Friday night, but not sufficient for any damage.

Misses Mary Todd and Willie May Childress and Miss Annie Jamieson, of Union, went to Newberry Wednesday, to see the ball game between Erskine and Newberry.

Patronize Roman's Moving Picture show at the opera house. Continuous performance daily from 3 to 10 p. m. Program changed every day. Lot new films just received. It worth the price. Go see it, and you'll go again.

Mrs. E. C. Gray, who was called to Rutherfordton, N. C., ten days ago on account of the illness of her father, is expected home this week. Her father, who is quite an old man, is still very seriously sick.

Mr. F. E. Ornell, the popular young salesman at Posey's Drug Store, has resigned his position and returned to his home in Woodbury, Ga., for a few days, after which he will enter the Southern College of Pharmacy in Atlanta.

A party from the neighboring town of Greenwood came over to the city of Laurens in automobiles Sunday. The party consisted of: Messrs. T. J. Crymes, R. J. Lawson, R. F. Arnold, C. D. Kellar, G. P. Sloan, J. C. Self, and Mr. and Mrs. John Chipley.

Mr. C. C. Featherstone returned Friday from Union, where he attended the sessions of the State Sunday School convention. Mr. Featherstone reported a fine meeting, well attended, enthusiastic work accomplished and a hospitable welcome on the part of Union people.

All Fool's day was not celebrated with much enthusiasm around at the graded school. Prof. Dobson had announced that he would punish any truancy or pranks common on this day. In consequence of this warning everybody was strictly good.

At the K. of P. meeting Monday night a committee consisting of Messrs. John M. Cannon, John F. Bolt and R. A. Dobson was appointed to canvas the Pythias of Laurens and Clinton for those who will take the D. O. K. E. degree. If a sufficient number can be secured the Spartanburg team will come down and initiate them.

Mr. L. G. Balle, who has been reading THE LAURENS ADVERTISER from its first issue twenty-three years ago, came to the office last week and welcomed the new editor. Mr. Balle is a staunch friend of the paper, believing in it so thoroughly that he sends a copy to all five of his children, who reside elsewhere, but who have to keep informed about matters in their old home.

Col. J. H. Wharton paid THE ADVERTISER a visit last Friday and reported that the farmers of his section were busy ploughing these days. "But," said Mr. Wharton, "the ground is in the worst condition I have seen in thirty years. For two or three inches it is a dry, hard crust and underneath too wet. All the ploughing done before these heavy rains was practically lost."

Notice. Waterloo Democratic Club will meet at Moore's on Saturday, the 28th, 1908, at 3 p. m.

J. H. WHARTON, Pres.

THE REEDY RIVER POWER COMPANY

Electric Plant Will Most Probably be in Full Operation Within the Next Sixty Days.

The work of constructing the dam and power house at Boyd's Mill for the Reedy River Power Company is expected to be finished by the first of June. The dam, which is practically finished, is said to be an exceptionally fine piece of work, and President Dial and his associates are well pleased with it. The power house is in process of erection, and when everything is completed the old place will present a wonderful transformation. The plant will have a capacity of two thousand horse power. Electricity will be generated for local purposes and for transmission to Laurens and other points desiring it. Already the line to Laurens is being run and will be completed in a short time.

Letter From Mr. Reuben B. Pitts.

The editor of THE ADVERTISER is in receipt of the following letter from one of Laurens' boys, which is appreciated in the fullest. He and Mr. Pitts were in college together for one year, and became friends while there. The editor wishes to thank Mr. Pitts publicly, and this means is employed:

"Camden, S. C., April 2, 1908.—Mr. S. E. Boney, Laurens, S. C.—My Dear Boney: I note by THE ADVERTISER of this week that you are to take charge of the paper, and I want to extend to you my best wishes for your grand success in my old home town.

I see that Furman's men are still doing worthy things, and I hope that we younger generation shall keep it up. For your part, I am sure you will. Yours very truly, R. B. PITTS."

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Mr. R. R. Stone, of Clinton, was among those in town Friday.

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A GREAT GAME OF TAG.

Every Loyal Citizen Should Wear a Tag on April 21st.

Tuesday, the 21st of April, will be "Tag Day" in Laurens. If you do not know what Tag Day is you had better inform yourself before the day arrives. It is hoped and expected that every man, woman and child in this city, rich and poor, high and low, white and black, will be able to exhibit a tag on Tag Day. What is it all about? Just this: A movement is on foot to build a hospital and the King's Daughters have undertaken this method to help the fund. In the larger cities this plan has met with great success. Boxes in charge of members are placed in different portions of the city and for each contribution, no matter how small or how large, dropped into the box the contributor is given a badge or tag. Before Tag Day is over almost every citizen has become a gentleman or lady of the decoration. They have been tagged en masse and the streets are gay with fluttering bits of ribbon. Third Tuesday in April is the day set apart for Tag Day in Laurens. Let's turn it into a great game of tag. Drop your penny, your dime, your dollar or your hundred dollars into the contribution box and wear your blushing honors thick upon you.

If every citizen makes up his or her mind that the day shall not pass until he or she has been "tagged" we will have given the hospital cause a great impetus.

Let this old city fairly flutter with tags on Tuesday, 21st. Don't be ashamed to show that you have a receipt in the shape of a tag for your contribution. It may encourage the next one to go and do likewise.

Charity is the best game that anybody can play. Put your heart and soul into it and see how much you can get out of it. Everybody play tag on the 21st and help the hospital cause.

KING'S DAUGHTERS.

We have just received another shipment of Folding Go-Carts. Be sure to see our line and get our prices before you buy.

S. M. & E. H. Wilkes & Co.

SUNDAY'S MEETING FOR MEN.

Special Sermon by Rev. Mr. Fowler, at Second Baptist Church.

Sunday afternoon there was held at the Second Baptist church a special meeting for men. The meeting was in charge of Rev. C. Lewis Fowler, of Clinton, who is conducting a series of revival services at this church, and who is doing some very effective preaching. "A Search for Men" was his theme Sunday afternoon, and he presented the truths of his subject in a very forcible and impressive manner.

Real men, the speaker said, are deplorably scarce—men who have the courage to stand up for the right and for God as against the influences of evil and wrong-doing. God is continually searching for men to enlist in the battle against sin. He recounted at length the many agencies employed to circumvent the will of God and enslave men and boys in the bondage of sin. Cigarette smoking and whiskey drinking were severely arraigned and other forms of sin strongly condemned.

Mr. Fowler made the startling statement in connection with the evil of strong drink to the effect that in Laurens county last year every eighth bale of cotton, or its equivalent, was spent for whiskey. Unwilling, as he had been, to accept the accuracy of this statement, the figures showed for themselves.

Gray Court to Have Bank

About the fifteenth of March a movement was launched to organize a bank at the little town of Gray Court, ten miles west of Laurens on the Greenville and Laurens railroad. Mr. J. N. Leak, one of the originators of the scheme and by the way one of the busiest hustlers in the whole county, was in the city Monday and in speaking of the enterprise said: "Yes, we started out about three weeks ago to get up the stock; and in less than a week more we will have it all subscribed." The men in charge held a meeting last Saturday at Gray Court to sum up and get an idea of what had been done and what the prospects were. The proposed capital stock is to be \$20,000 of which \$15,000 has already been subscribed. There will be another meeting next Saturday at which time a formal organization will be effected. It is understood that Mr. C. R. Wallace is to be president and the institution will be known as The Bank of Gray Court.

TRAYNHAM GUARDS ARE INSPECTED.

Officials Pronounced the Company in Excellent Form in Every Particular. Highly Complimented.

The official inspection of Traynham Guards was held Friday afternoon by Adjutant General J. C. Boyd, Assistant Adjutant General W. T. Brock and United States Inspector C. H. Cabiniss. These officers arrived in the city at 2 o'clock from Columbia and promptly at 4 o'clock, the appointed hour, the work of inspection was begun.

Traynham Guards, numbering forty-six, were arrayed in their new serge uniforms with tan shoes and mustered on the public square presented a fine appearance. All the officers were present; in fact, every member of the company was present, a fact rather unusual and one commented upon by General Boyd. The inspection of the guns was the first thing done, and this resulted in not only a favorable report but special commendatory remarks. The company was pronounced excellent in their manner of keeping the guns and uniforms. General appearance was pronounced excellent.

After the gun inspection 1st Lieutenant W. R. Richey, Jr., commanded the company through many difficult military maneuvers, all of which were accomplished very creditably.

The company marched to its armory and were there addressed by Gen. Boyd. The best and most important thing in this brief address was: "Traynham Guards is not exceeded by any other company so far inspected in general appearance, care of equipments, drill and general military training."

Mr. Brock heartily seconded his chief's remarks.

The Laurens company was organized on November 3rd, 1906, with Mr. O. W. Babb captain. Its commission expires this coming November, but a renewal is confidently expected. The officers at present are:

O. W. Babb, Captain.
M. L. Nash, 1st Lieutenant.
J. A. Taylor, 1st Sergeant.
D. R. Simpson, Quartermaster Sergeant.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Mr. S. D. Childress spent Saturday in Greenville.

Master Lamar Copeland is visiting in Greenville.

Miss Bessie Roland has returned from Union.

Mr. J. W. Lanford of Lanford Station was in the city Monday.

Mr. W. R. Cheek a prominent planter of Gray Court was in town Monday.

Mr. L. D. McCravy was registered at Gray's Hotel on Friday.

Mr. J. F. Whitmore, of Clinton, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. W. S. Langford, of Newberry, was a visitor in the city Sunday.

Mrs. James L. Killian, of Greenville, is with her brother, Mr. C. D. Moseley.

Mrs. Chesley Lucas and children, of Chester, are visiting Mrs. W. E. Lucas.

Mrs. Jane Parks of Greenwood is visiting her daughter Mrs. S. D. Childress.

Mrs. Hale Shands of Clinton spent Wednesday in the city with Mrs. G. C. Albright.

Mr. S. B. Goodman, carrier of R. F. D. No. 1 Mountville, was in the city on business, Monday.

Mrs. Hagan Motes, of Mountville, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Teague, last week.

Mrs. J. C. Philpot, after a visit to relatives in the city, returned Friday to her home in Columbia.

Messrs. W. J. and E. H. Wise, of Spartanburg, were in the city Friday and Saturday.

Mr. S. E. Henderson, the popular postmaster at Barksdale, was in the city Saturday.

Rev. J. O. Davis and family, of Greenville, are visiting relatives in the county this week.

Miss Anna Childress has returned to Cheora college after spending a few days at home.

Mrs. John Simmons of Mountville spent yesterday in the city as the guest of Mrs. J. H. Teague.

Miss Ora Dell Hunter of Ora spent a few days in the city last week as the guest of Mrs. Hampton Hunter.

Miss Lillian Peterson of Winthrop College is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Maggie Peterson.

Rev. W. E. Callendar, rector of the Episcopal church of Laurens, has accepted an invitation to preach at Trinity church, Columbia, on April 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. C. Fleming entertained at tea Thursday evening for Rev. Mr. Rankin and wife and Miss Strickler, of Richmond, their guests.

Mr. T. McD. Roper, formerly of the Hickory Tavern section, now a resident of this city, announces his candidacy this week for county commissioner.

Mr. J. Wister Martin, of the county, was in the city this week. Mr. Martin paid THE ADVERTISER a pleasant visit.

Messrs. Richard Childress, T. O. Flowers, Jr., and T. C. Bolt, of the Presbyterian college at Clinton, came up Saturday and spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Childress.

Mrs. W. D. Ferguson is going to Newberry this week, to visit Mrs. P. G. Ellis, and remain until after the wedding of Miss Laura Vance and Mr. W. D. Copeland.

Mrs. Fleming Jones, Misses Helen Goggans, Bessie Bird, Amelia Kennedy and Bertha Wells, and Mr. R. Vance, Irby made an automobile trip to Newberry last Saturday to spend the day with Miss Helen Goggans.

The Rev. J. T. Taylor, of Ware Shoals, was in the city a few days ago on his way to Greensboro, N. C., where he is engaged in a meeting with Rev. P. C. Battle, of the North Carolina Methodist conference and pastor of one of the Greensboro churches.

Miss Wilma Prentiss gave a birthday party Tuesday afternoon at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. W. H. Garrett. A number of her young friends celebrated this happy occasion with her, and after the ever-pleasurable open-air games they were served with delicious cream and cake.

Some of the early risers of Laurens report frost was seen early Saturday morning. The climatic conditions, however, are such that no damage resulted therefrom. It was so dry and the frost so light that it will have no effect on any growing plants or tree blossoms. This is the first frost reported in some time.

Mr. B. L. Henderson, of the Ware Shoals neighborhood, was in the city Saturday, and paid THE ADVERTISER a visit. Mr. Henderson began reading this paper with its first issue, twenty-three years ago, and has not missed an issue since. He is one of our staunchest friends, and we hope that he may read the paper for many years to come.

The Rev. C. Lewis Fowler, pastor of the Baptist church at Clinton, arrived in the city last Thursday to begin a series of revival services at the Second Baptist church of Laurens. Mr. Fowler is a graduate of Furman and the Harvard School of Theology. Of course he is a preacher of no small ability. His work in Clinton has been on aggressive lines, and his presence and work here should produce good results.

Mr. Thos. E. Wicker, of Newberry, spent Sunday in the city with Mr. S. G. McDaniel, K. Wicker is a rural letter carrier at Newberry and is a very progressive young citizen. For several months he has been very active in an effort to get his county interested in the good cause of temperance. Of course the newspapers and others have had to do with the agitation of better roads which Mr. Wicker intimated would likely be made an issue in the approaching county campaign.

Commission Named For The Infirmary. Gov. Ansel has appointed the commission to have charge of the erection of the State's infirmary for Confederate soldiers on the property of the State Hospital for the insane in this city. The commission will consist of Messrs. J. M. Reed of Chester, D. Cardwell of Columbia, J. C. Canney of Camden, J. G. Marshall of Columbia and Willie Jones of Columbia. The first three are veterans, members of the U. C. V., and the last two are sons of veterans. The commission will meet within the next few days and proceed with the plans for the erection of the building. An appropriation of \$12,000 was made for the work.—State.

Boyd-Daniel. Yesterday afternoon at Spartanburg Mr. Thos. H. Daniel, of Washington, D. C., and Miss Bessie Boyd, daughter of the Rev. Marion Boyd, were united in marriage. The Rev. G. M. Boyd officiating. Mr. Daniel is a Laurens county boy, a graduate of Wofford, private secretary to Congressman Johnson for a time, a newspaper correspondent, which is merely incidental to his duties in the law offices of the Southern Railway in Washington.

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MAY GET POWER FROM BOYD'S MILL

Council Receives Proposition From Mr. Dial

NO AGREEMENT YET.

The City Can Utilize 75 Horse Power to Operate Its Lighting Plant Etc.

For some time past the city council has been negotiating with President N. B. Dial of the Reedy River Power Co. on the matter of furnishing electric power for the city from the plant at Boyd's mill soon to be completed. It is understood, of course, that this company has a franchise to come into the city and supply individuals. The discussion now is regarding rates on the city supply. Thus far no agreement has been reached and just at present none is in sight. The form of Mr. Dial's bid seems to be about as follows: The company is to furnish one hundred and fifty horse-power to the city under a ten-year contract at \$50 a horse-power, the company reserving the privilege of supplying power to individuals also. The council claims that the city needs only seventy-five horse-power and should have the right to sublet the remaining seventy-five, to which the company will not agree. And again the price per horse-power is a matter of dispute.

The council feels that \$50 a horse-power is too high; the city of Greenwood is supplied by the Savannah River Co. at \$40 per horse-power, and they think Laurens should be able to get power at the same rate. At the present figures Laurens in the course of the ten years, the limit of the contract, would have paid \$15,000 more for her power than the neighboring town of Greenwood.

It is hoped by both sides that an agreement may soon be reached to prevent any annoying and costly delays.

Three Thousand Feet Curbing Purchased.

Mr. W. R. Richey, representing the city council of Laurens, went to Newberry last Saturday and closed a contract with the Cold Point Granite Company to furnish three thousand feet of granite curbing, to be used in improving the public square and court house grounds. The council has been negotiating for some time with this company, but up to Saturday had been unable to agree on terms. Mr. Richey's curbing will be supplied at a price of five cents per foot until the supply is received.

The Cold Point Granite Company's quarries are situated about six miles south of Laurens, in this county, and contain a superior grade of stone. The council, it is seen, is determined to get the very best of everything for the improvement work which they hope to have under way in a few days. The curbing purchased is to be used for the improvements all around the square, the court house approaches and the tree bases near the court house.